# INDIAN MARITIME UNIVERSITY

# (A Central University, Govt of India)

India is a maritime nation and has a rich maritime heritage. History documents India's trade links with other nations of the world from the age of the Harappan civilization. Ports and Shipping form an integral part of the maritime sector and contribute greatly to the economic growth of the country.

## An affiliating university

The Indian Maritime University established through an Act of Parliament on 14.11.2008 as a Central University is poised to play a key role in the development of the required human resources for the maritime sector. The University being the first of its kind in the country caters to the educational requirements of the maritime fraternity. It is a teaching and affiliating University which offers graduate, post-graduate and research programs in all disciplines of the maritime sector.

#### Vision

To create a motivated, competent Maritime community

## **Objectives**

- Functional as a world class centre of excellence for maritime studies
- Act as the apex body for high level maritime education and research nationally
- Ensure conduct of quality post and pre sea courses in affiliated maritime institutions
- Conduct professional development courses for maritime practitioners
- Train a strong maritime

### **Maritime Law**

More than 90% of the world's trade takes place through the oceans. Ships are the lifeline of world commerce. The increase in international trade in the coming decades will undoubtedly lead to a growth in the shipping sector. Maritime Law is the body of Law dealing with such matters as marine commerce, navigation, shipping, sailors, transportation of passengers and goods by sea and other marine affairs.

With growth in maritime commerce, the number of maritime disputes is also bound to go up. There will therefore be a rise in demand for lawyers trained in maritime law.

The Indian economy is growing at a fast pace. With the growth of shipping in India and the increase in the number of ports there will be great demand for maritime professionals. Lawyers with specialized knowledge of Maritime Law can find employment in shipping companies, ports and law firms besides the various other opportunities available to them.

IMU has signed an MoU with the National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore. The signing of the MoU has facilitated academic cooperation between the two institutions. IMU offered

a seminar course on the Law of the Sea to  $5^{\text{th}}$  year undergraduate students at NLSIU which was very well received.

IMU is also looking for collaboration with foreign universities.

### **LL.M Maritime Law**

The LL.M (Maritime Law) is a two year Master of Laws Program in Maritime Law offered by Indian Maritime University.

# **Aim and Objectives**

The program is designed to educate and train lawyers in International Maritime Law, which will enable them to make valuable contributions to the vibrant, international shipping industry.

# **Entry requirements**

A Bachelors degree in Law from any university in India approved by UGC with minimum 50% marks (45% marks in case of SC/ST).

## **Mode of Selection**

- 1. Application to IMU
- 2. Selection on the basis of CET, Group Discussion and Interview.

## Course fee

Rs 2,00,000 per year.

### **Duration**

The program of 2 years comprises of 4 semesters

# Location

The program will be offered by IMU at the Chennai campus.

### **Course Structure:**

### Semester 1

- 1.1 Law and Social Change
- 1.2 Legal Education and Research Methodology
- 1.3 International Law of the Sea
- 1.4 Elective Subject 1

### Semester 2

- 2.1 Judicial Process and Constitutional interpretation
- 2.2 Carriage of Goods by Sea
- 2.3 Admiralty Law

## Semester 3

- 3.1 Law of Marine Insurance
- 3.2 Marine Pollution and Legal Control
- 3.3 Elective subject 2
- 3.4 Synopsis Research Design

## Semester 4

- 4.1 International Maritime Arbitration and Conciliation
- 4.2 Dissertation + Viva Voce
- 4.3 Elective Subject 3

# **Elective Subjects:**

- 1. Port and Terminal Management
- 2. Admiralty and Maritime Jurisdiction
- 3. Laws on Maritime Safety, Security and Safety of Navigation
- 4. Shipping Business
- 5. Maritime Labour Laws
- 6. Laws on Coastal Shipping, Inland Waters
- 7. Ownership and Registration
- 8. Collision and Safety of Navigation

## **COURSE EVALUATION**

A – Core Courses			Credit Allocation
1.	Nine compulsory Subjects -	4 credits each X 9	36 credits
2.	Seminar (Second semester)	2 credits	2 credits
3.	Legal Drafting – project work (Research design work) Third semester synopsis	2 credits	2 credits
4.	Dissertation	16 credits	16 credits
5.	Viva Voce	4 credits	4 credits
			60 credits
B – Elective Courses		4 credits each X 3	12 credits
		Total	72 credits

### How to apply

The IMU- CET application form will be made available through the following channel:

Download the application form, information brochure and challan from our website <a href="http://www.imu.tn.nic.in">http://www.imu.tn.nic.in</a>. The fee of Rs 1000 (Rs 500 in case of SC/ST candidates) can be paid through challan payable at any of the SBI/Indian Bank/Axis Bank branches all over India. Please remember getting the journal number from the concerned bank.

### **Admission Procedure**

- 1. The admission for this program is offered in August. IMU invites applications from prospective students through advertisements in national and regional dailies detailing all the relevant information and criteria for admission.
- 2. Eligible candidates are advised to apply for the Common Entrance Test conducted by IMU. Those appearing for the qualifying examination are also eligible to apply.
- 3. The Admission test will be held at Chennai(Code No.01), Cochin (Code No.02), Kolkata (Code No.03), Mumbai (Code No.04), Delhi (Code No.05), and Vishakhapatnam (Code No.06).
- 4. The CET will have objective questions and descriptive questions in 7 subjects. The subjects are the Law of Contract, Tort Law, Constitutional law, Jurisprudence, Property Law, Public International Law and Indian legal history.
- 5. Completed application forms should be sent to the "Controller of Examinations i/c", Indian Maritime University, East Coast Road, Uthandi, Chennai in an envelope super scribed "Application form for CET-LL.M along with proof of payment challan along with Journal number.
- 6. The applicants are advised to write their name, address and phone number on the reverse of the challan. Incomplete application forms or those received after the due date ( 31 May 2012) will be summarily rejected and no enquiries will be entertained in this regard. The students are therefore advised to fill the relevant information carefully in the application form.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL APPLICATIONS HAVE TO BE ACCOMPANIED WITH 1 SELF-ADDRESSED AND RS 5/- STAMPED ENVELOPE OF 10" X 4-1/2 " SIZE.

- 7. Candidates are advised to retain a photocopy of the filled-in application form. On the basis of information furnished by the candidate in the application form, he/she will be sent an Admit Card / Hall ticket for the Common Entrance Test. In case the candidate does not receive it, he/she should check for it on the website of IMU and take a printout of the same and paste his/her photograph over it and get it attested from a Gazetted Officer. At the time of Common Entrance Test, the candidate will be required to sign on this printout in the presence of the invigilator who will also sign it. The candidate is required to contact IMU along with a photocopy of the Application form if he/she doesn't find it on the website.
- 8. Candidates are required to retain the admit cards with them and keep them in safe custody.
- 9. The CET Score is valid only for the academic session starting August 2012.

#### **EXAMINATION TIMINGS**

Entry in the Examination Hall : 1.15 PM

Checking of Admit cards by Invigilators : 1.30 PM to 1.45 PM

Distribution of Test Booklet : 1.45 PM

Seal of Test Booklet to be broken : 1.55 PM

Opened to take out the Answer Sheet

Test Commences : 2 PM

Test Concludes : 5 PM

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Prospectus and Application will be available at the IMU website from: 17.4.2012

Last date for receipt of filled-in applications at IMU Chennai: 31.5.2012

Common Entrance Test will be held on: 17.6.2012

(2.00 pm to 5 p.m.)

Date of declaration of result : 29.6.2012 (Tentatively)

Group Discussion and Interview 10.7. 2012 and 11.7.2012

(Tentatively)

Course commences on: 1.8.2012

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## NOTE:

- 1. Candidates are advised to visit IMU website <a href="www.imu.tin.nic.in">www.imu.tin.nic.in</a> for latest updates regarding Common Entrance Test, date and admission, etc.
- 2. Candidates are advised to bring the Hall ticket and ball-pens of good quality.
- 3. Calculators/ Mobile Phones/ Electronic gadgets are strictly prohibited in the Examination Hall.
- 4. All rough works are to be done in the Test Booklet only in the space earmarked for such works.

## **CHECKLIST**

Before submitting the application forms please make sure that you have affixed your photograph and signed over it and attached the following: (Tick the relevant boxes)

- i) Challan for Rs.1000/- Rs.500/- for SC/ST). Please remember to mention Journal number.
- ii) Self-attested Category Certificate for SC/ST/OBC candidates wherever required
- iii) Copies of necessary mark statements and certificates
- iv) One-Self-addressed and stamped (Rs.5/-) envelopes of size  $10^{\prime\prime}$  x 4  $1/2^{\prime\prime}$